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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR'S CALL ON DEPUTY FOREIGN SECRETARY MOJSOV

1. SUBSTANTIVE PORTION OF AMBASSADOR SILBERMAN'S JUNE 6 COURTESY CALL ON DEPUTY FOREIGN SECRETARY LAZAR MOJSOV DEALT PRIMARILY WITH UPCOMING UNGA SPECIAL SESSION. MOJSOV MADE FORTHCOMING NOISES REGARDING YUGOSLAV VIEW OF SPECIAL SESSION, INDICATED YUGOSLAV POLICY REVIEW WILL BE COMPLETED BY EARLY JULY, AND INDICATED DESIRE FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH US EITHER IN NEW YORK AND BELGRADE.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION MOJSOV SAID HE HAD READ SECRETARY KISSINGER'S RECENT SPEECHES CAREFULLY AS WELL AS SEVERAL STATEMENTS BY AMBASSADOR SCALI. (MOJSOV ALSO SAID HE HAD READ AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN'S "COMMENTARY" ARTICLE WHICH HE TERMED "BRILLIANT" WITHOUT, HOWEVER, GIVING HIS REACTION TO ITS SUBSTANCE). REGARDING THE SECRETARY'S SPEECHES, MOJSOV SAID THEY SHOW THE WAY FOR CREATION OF A GOOD ATMOSPHERE BUT ARE NOT CONCRETE AND "REQUIRE TRANSLATION INTO SPECIFIC PROPOSALS."

3. CITING WHAT HE CALLED US MISUNDERSTANDING OF THE 6TH SPECIAL SESSION, MOJSOV SAID THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO DIMINISH THE "MAGNIFICENT" PART THE US PLAYS IN THE UN, BUT SAID THERE IS A

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NEW WIND OF CHANGE IN THE UN AND THIS MUST BE UNDERSTOOD

CORRECTLY. ONE PROBLEM IN THE 6TH SPECIAL SESSION, MOJSOV SAID, WAS LACK OF FLEXIBILITY ON PART OF CERTAIN WESTERN DELEGATIONS, AND FACT AMERICAN PROPOSALS CAME AT VERY END OF SESSION. HAD THEY BEEN PUT FORWARD A WEEK OR MONTH EARLIER THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN ADOPTED, BUT THEY WERE ADVANCED AT THE LAST HOUR IN A VERY TENSE ATMOSPHERE. YUGOSLAVS WANT TO AVOID THIS AT 7TH SPECIAL SESSION AND YUGOSLAV UN DELEGATION HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO CONTACT USUN INFORMALLY, AS WELL AS DELEGATIONS OF OTHER DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING NATIONS, TO CREATE ATMOSPHERE OF TRUST AND CONFIDENCE WHICH CAN YIELD CONCRETE RESULTS.

4. SECOND YUGOSLAV APPROACH WILL BE TO NOT TRY TO DEAL WITH ALL ASPECTS OF PROBLEM BUT RATHER FOCUS ATTENTION ON A FEW MAIN TOPICS TO TRY TO ACCOMPLISH SOMETHING PRODUCTIVE. GOY IS IN PROCESS OF DEVELOPING POSITION PAPERS, AND SPECIAL GROUP HAS BEEN FORMED FOR THIS UNDER ASSISTANT SECRETARY BERISLAV BADURINA. THEY ARE TRYING TO FIND SPECIFICS AND COMMON BONDS THAT WILL HELP AVOID THE GENERAL APPRAISALS OF THE 6TH SPECIAL SESSION WHICH FOCUSED BACK RATHER THAN AHEAD. WHEN THEY HAVE BETTER FIXED THEIR POSITIONS YUGOSLAVS WILL CONTACT EMBASSY AND INSTRUCT UN DELEGATION TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH USUN.

5. AMEMBASSADOR SILBERMAN RECALLED HIS TALK WITH BADURINA AND SAID HE HAD IMPRESSION YUGOSLAVS WERE FOCUSING ON COMMODITIES. CITING COMPLEXITY THIS PROBLEM AMBASSADOR SAID WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN WHAT YUGOSLAVS MIGHT SUGGEST. MOJSOV AVOIDED SPECIFIC REPLY AND SAID FOREIGN SECRETARIAT POSITION PAPERS WILL BE THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED INCLUDING, AT END OF JUNE, BY FEDERAL COUNCIL CHAIRED BY EDVARD KARDELJ.

6. COMMENT AND ACTION RECOMMENDATION. MOJSOV WAS MAKING AN OBVIOUS EFFORT TO STRIKE A CONCILIATORY STANCE AND FOCUS ON POTENTIAL AREAS OF AGREEMENT. AT THE SAME TIME HE AVOIDED SPECIFICS, AND OBVIOUSLY HAD BEEN BRIEFED ON AMBASSADOR'S PREVIOUS CALL ON BADURINA. WE BELIEVE IT MIGHT BE PRODUCTIVE CALL YUGOSLAV HAND ON COMMENTS ABOUT US MOVES BEING TOO LATE AT 6TH SPECIAL SESSION. THIS MIGHT MOST PRODUCTIVELY BE DONE BY TAKING INITIATIVE HERE IN BELGRADE FOR FURTHER CONSULTATIONS FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF YUGOSLAV POLICY REVIEW.

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ADVANTAGE OF DOING IT HERE AS WELL AS AT UN WOULD BE THAT WE POSSIBLY COULD HAVE SOME INPUT WHILE THEY ARE STILL FORMULATING TACTICS. THERE WOULD BE ADDED POTENTIAL ADVANTAGE THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO HOLD THEM LATER IN NEW YORK TO SOME POSITION TAKEN CALMLY HERE FAR FROM THE HEAT OF BATTLE AND PRESSURES OF SOME OF THEIR LESS REASONABLE NONALIGNED BRETHREN.

7. REQUEST DEPARTMENT RESPONSE RE THIS PROPOSAL SO WE CAN

INFORM YUGOSLAVS THAT WE PLAN TO ENTER INTO CONCRETE CONSULTATIONS
IN BELGRADE.
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